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Waterways Management Advisory Board Tuesday September 15, 2020 at 4pm Town Office

CALL TO ORDER – Roy Myers opened the meeting at 4:01pm.

Present: John Marrah, Roy Myers, Planning and Zoning Officer Kymberly Kudla, and Grant Consultant Brent Jett. Dennis Glackin was also present.

Grant update:

Chairman Myers outlined the two grant options. Waterway Improvement Grant, due October 9th, often used in Town for projects such as Honeymoon Bridge and Back Creek Park improvements. Discussed the possibility of using this grant for the lowest part of the bulkhead located near E. Chew Avenue. Another potential project is converting the small boat ramp into a kayak launch. Chairman Myers asked Mr. Jett's opinion on the options.

Mr. Jett stated that it never hurts to apply provided have time to write the grant request. Also suggested contacting the State to discuss options.

Chairman Myers temporarily lost connection.

Member Marrah asked Mr. Jett how progress on the assessment is coming along and is he at the point that he has an idea of what the 2 or 3 biggest areas may be for grant application purposes. Mr. Jett replied that the survey work is complete and is currently working on stormwater piping and he is not at the stage where he is ready to provide potential projects.

Discussion ensued on the grant deadlines. Ms. Kudla and Chairman Myers agreed to check with Jean about the application process.

Member Marrah recommended that we apply for the other grant option, Outcome 2, to complete similar study for the other side of Town. Discussion ensued on the different grant outcomes offered by the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

Mr. Glackin asked if the completed study will have a list in order of priority of potential projects and if match is required for these grants. Mr. Jett replied that the study will have potential projects in order of priority. The grants do not require match but it is encouraged.

Chairman Myers stated that a date needs to be chosen for presenting an update on the grant to the Commissioners. The two October meetings are the 14th and 28th.

Mr. Jett stated he is working on a community survey to hopefully have ready by next week. The survey would be available for two weeks. Recommended the October 28th meeting as that would provide more time to review results and compile the data. The survey can be distributed a number of ways including Constant Contact, town website, and/or Facebook pages.

Chairman Myers asked if Mr. Jett will be able to present the sea level rise scenarios to the Commissioners. Mr. Jett stated that he will have slides and models ready to show predicted future sea levels.

The meeting adjourned at 4:48pm.

Minutes approved as submitted by 4-0 vote in favor on the 13th day of October 2020.

Roy Myers, Chairman